



St Mary's School
Waverley
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• SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS •



Phoenix - 13 schools collected 12 000 cans of food that will be donated to the Jesuit Refugee Service. To read more about the Phoenix project, please see page

From the headmistress' desk

Dear parents

The annual fashion show provides the Form IIIs with a real challenge of their ability to work collectively to create and host a high-profile event. The lessons learned during this project will help to bolster the year group when they host the matric dance.

I thoroughly enjoyed the fashion show Empire State of Mind. It was a professional and "slick" production that was well organised and well executed. The entertainment also showed the real depth of talent in this group of girls. I commend the Form IIIs for their enthusiastic and committed approach to this event. All the girls played a role, no matter how big or small, which contributed to a wonderful atmosphere of shared achievement.

Mr Strydom and Mr Parenzee always ensure that the girls have the necessary

technical skills and support to present an excellent production. This year, Mrs Len, Mrs Hinton and Mrs Oosthuizen volunteered to oversee the event and I think that they formed a formidable team to support and guide the Form IIIs. I also want to extend a sincere thank you to the parents who contributed to this event as your involvement and support are invaluable. I left the fashion show feeling quite proud of the girls' endeavours.

I wish all our families a happy and restful school holiday. To the matrics, I hope you will have a calm and productive time to prepare for the preliminary examinations.

Yours sincerely

Deanne King
Headmistress

Dates to Diarise

Fri 31	06h00	Basketball team departs for Pmb GHS
	14h30	Optional service outing
Sat 1		Basketball tournament at Pmb GHS
	08h00	FV Art practical
	10h00	Howell Pullen finals at St Andrew's
	17h30	Music on the Menu
Sun 2		Matric music practical programme
		Basketball team returns from Pmb GHS
Mon 3	07h30	Guest speaker (Cliff Weitzman)
	08h05	FII substance abuse workshop
	15h00	House plays technical rehearsal
	16h30	Foundation meeting
	17h15	Boarders' chapel and dinner
	18h00	Parent information evening
Tues 4	08h05	FII substance abuse workshop
	10h30	FIII workshops
	14h30	House play rehearsals
	18h30	Hockey dinner - gym
Wed 5	06h30	FEDA play cast departs for Rustenburg
	08h05	FII contour cakes
	09h00	Blood drive
	10h30	Depart for OMS eight hockey
	10h30	FIII workshops
	19h00	On the Edge: House plays preview
Thurs 6		OMS top eight hockey
	07h30	Middle School Eucharist
	09h00	On the Edge: STAMP Festival
	12h55	House plays
	14h15	FV Art practical
Fri 7	06h00	SA Top Schools' Squash - Epworth
		SAMS Reach for your Slippers Day
	07h30	Senior School Eucharist
	10h00	Final assembly
	12h30	School closes
Sat 8		OMS top eight hockey
		SA Top Schools' Squash - Epworth
		OMS top eight hockey
		Equestrian finals
Sun 9		National Women's Day
		SA Top Schools' Squash - Epworth
		OMS top eight hockey
		Equestrian finals

From the chaplain

Here is an encouraging thought for the day, from *Love is a Wild Bird* by Eddie Askew:

“A friend gave us an amaryllis bulb, complete with plastic pot and a small bag of compost. The bulb looked dry, lifeless, with a tangle of desiccated white shoots, but we potted it up, watered it, and put it on a warm window sill in the light.

“Transformation. Three or four days later the first shoot appeared. It was very pale green and tentative, as though it was sticking its head above the parapet to see what was going on, and ready to duck down again if it didn't like what it saw. Each day it grew a little bigger, stronger, and a slightly darker green. Then a second leaf appeared.

“That's where it is now but I know from past experience that in a few weeks there'll be a straight and robust stem, several long dark green

leaves and then the final glory of those huge scarlet flowers singing silent praise to their creator. That's God, not me. I only watered it ...

“When we were given the bulb we could have kept it carefully wrapped up in its box but then it would never have grown. There'd have been no life, no flowers, no beauty. Life's for living. It can be tempting to stay quietly in our own little corner ignoring the world at large, but we can't, not really. We're part of the world, with all its ups and downs and we have to share it. So come out of your box today, root yourself in reality and try life. There's a lot of beauty out there if you look for it. And you might even get in touch with the creator of it all.”

Revd Canon Gill Lee
Chaplain

Meet the departments



Community affairs: Jane Lawther, Linda Giuricich (head of community affairs)



Chaplain: Revd Canon Gill Lee

Fashion show

This year the Form IIIs were inspired to entwine the vibrancy of New York City with the fashion-forward population of the city. From Central Park to the Bronx, through the subway and down Fifth Avenue, each aspect of New York was brought to life and explored on 23 and 24 July. Through fashion, music and dance, one could not help but feel like a New Yorker experiencing the pulse of the city that never sleeps.

Mandela Day was an important date on our New York City calendar. The Form IIIs iced 300 cupcakes for the St Mary's community affairs students as part of our community service drive. The fashion show brought the form together in a way that made the whole experience all the more rewarding. From Nonna Mia's feeding us before each show to established clothing labels, professional make-up and hair done by (will add in this name) and our up-and-coming St Mary's designers, an exhibition of art and fashion modelled under the New York City lights made it a fashion show to remember.

Sarah Frames

Head of fashion show committee 2015



Emma Viljoen (Form III), with her sister Lucy Viljoen (Grade 2), who modelled



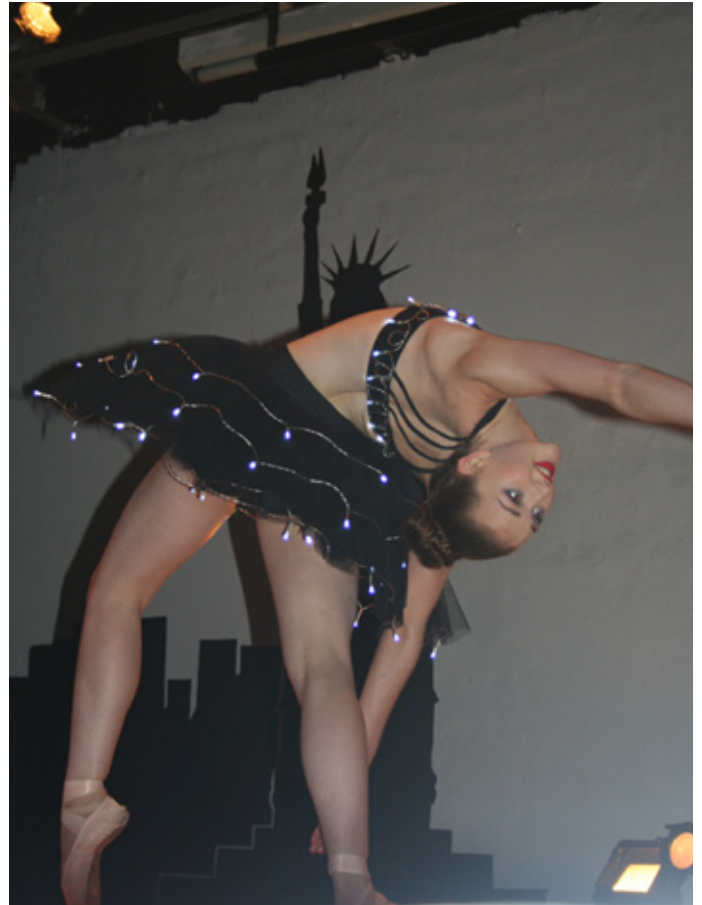
Claire Tsumane sings *Can You be My Nightingale?*



Form III girls get into character beforehand



VIP seating with goodie bags



Bronwyn Craddock performs an entertaining ballet dance



The calm before the show



Thank you to the moms who did the models' make-up so beautifully



Models show off their favourite outfits



Thank you, Nonna Mia, for feeding our form beforehand



Yashmiri Shanmugam set the tone on the decks



Committee dance



Form III girls sell doughnuts and pretzels



Abby Gräbe with Amy Codrington



Keitumetse Pule models her outfit



Kristin de Decker with Form III designer Megan Rumpelt, who made her outfit

Form I E4 outing to Northwards and The Workers' Museum

On Wednesday 22 July, as part of our ongoing investigation into our city of Johannesburg, the Form Is went on a whirlwind tour of a former randlord's mansion, Northwards, and the Workers' Museum in Newtown.

The purpose of the outing was to capture the essence of what life was like in those times for the wealthy as well as the poor. The girls learned about the origins of segregation in our city as a result of the discovery of gold and wealth, and saw first-hand the vast contrast between the lives of different groups of people.

It was a most worthwhile experience, and we had a wonderful time out and about in Jozi!

The E4 team



At the Workers' Museum - Front row: Caroline Paul, Astra Christodoulou, Bonginkosi Ncobela. Back row: Gabriella Sabio, Jocelyn Otto, Angelique Florias, Nakai Maduapera, Tyler-Jade Kinnear, Jemma Warsop, Ruby Morphet, Deminkha Pillay, Neo Matlala

Bake sale for charity

On Friday 17 July, as part of photograph day and the Mandela Day celebrations, the staff and matric girls donated delicious baked goods. These were sold by the slice and R2 700 was raised! These funds will be donated to Hospice.

Thanks to the matric girls and staff for their yummy donations, and thanks to everyone for supporting the sale.

Kendra Hendry
SAMS co-ordinator



Carlotta Hubbe, Britni Oberholzer and Isobel Renshaw-Calisse hold delicious goodies for sale

Girl Rising Mandela Day 2015

On Friday 17 July, we were fortunate to be addressed by Dr Zaheeda Adam of FEED and the Girl Rising movement. She touched on the importance of using our time, on days such as Nelson Mandela International Day, to make a difference in other people's lives. Dr Adam spoke about how, in many parts of the world, girls' education is hampered by a lack of equality and resources. In addition, many high school girls are unable to go to school for several days each month because they do not have the necessary sanitary towels.

To help to alleviate the challenges experienced by girls, the girls in St Mary's Senior School got to work on Friday. They decorated orange drawstring bags and filled them with useful stationery and a "period pack" (made up of a pair of panties and a

few sanitary pads or tampons). All items were bought using the money donated by St Mary's families in Term I.

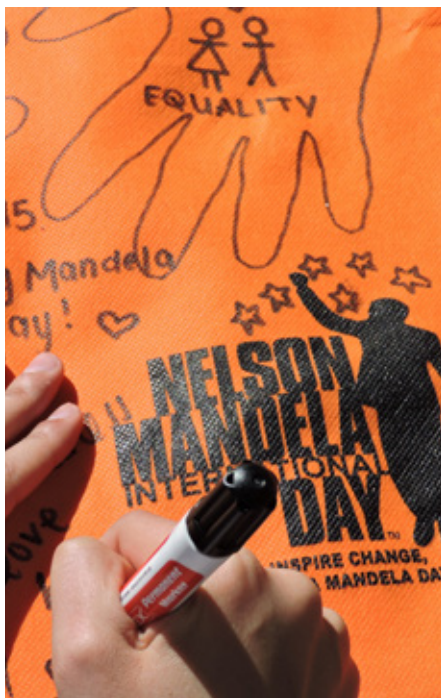
These bags will be given to girls at the Adelaide Tambo School in Soweto (the only facility in Soweto for the physically disabled), the Coronation Training Centre (which services disabled, remedial and/or autistic children) and an Alexandra secondary school for girls. Furthermore, inspired by our drive, FEED has bought 150 Dignity Dreams packs that contain recyclable and washable sanitary towels, and these will be given to abused girls and women at various centres in Johannesburg.

I would like to thank Ms Jaclyn Paules for tirelessly and enthusiastically working

with me in making this, our fifth Mandela Day together, a success. Our thanks go to Ackermans Woodmead, Makro Woodmead, Brandability and Bond Stationers for their willingness to help and donate to this cause. We also thank Christine Hill in Form IV, the SAMS representatives, eager volunteers, our colleagues and all the girls for braving the cold and wind in the Close to "take action and inspire change".

St Mary's girls used their time, resources and creative talents to celebrate Mandela Day and to touch lives in our community and further afield. I think Madiba would have been proud.

Kendra Hendry
SAMS co-ordinator



Bag decoration by Carlotta Hubbe



Emma Morris, Lucy Jennett and Christine Hill, busy with bag decorating and packing



Thidziambi Mufamadi and Daniela Passoni help Jessica Parkin and Alexandra Shtein fill their bags



Nandi Ngwenya, Roxanne Lowe and Bongwiwe Bongwe show off their completed bags

Clothes2Good

This term St Mary's families tidied out their wardrobes and partnered with Clothes2Good (C2G) to donate more than two tons of second hand clothes. C2G gave us R5 per kilogram of usable clothes, which totalled R6 006.15. This money will be used for a number of charity initiatives, including planting trees at orphanages and homes supported by the 100ABC'er's Club. We also collected 843kg of unusable clothes which will be donated to Life Link 24/7 Cares, and they will arrange for the clothes to be repaired and reused for charity. In addition, C2G have matched two-fifths of our total amount raised and donated it to Life Link. This means that through this clothing collection alone, we have effectively raised R8 408.61 for charity this term!

A number of prizes were awarded during assembly on Friday 17 July. Ms Hazel Mason's mentor group had the highest participation (77%) and to thank them, C2G gave Ms Mason

a Sandton voucher and each girl was given a beautiful pencil case handmade by persons with disabilities. A Sandton voucher and goodie bag were awarded to our winner, Taahira Shanmugam in Clayton, who donated 61kg of usable clothes. Taahira has also been entered into the C2G nationwide competition to win an HP notebook computer.

This was primarily an inter-house competition, and these were the results:

- 4th place with 263.70kg - Furse
- 3rd place with 284.55kg - Karney
- 2nd place with 305.22kg - Clayton
- 1st place with 339.68kg - Phelps

This drive has had and will have many far-reaching, positive effects and the generous attitude of everyone who donated is most appreciated. Congratulations to all our winners!

Kendra Hendry
SAMS co-ordinator



Winner Taahira Shanmugam (Clayton) with Kendra Hendry



Ms Hazel Mason with her mentor group who had the highest participation

Staff book club

The staff book club displays recommended reading to enthusiastic readers on the staff. I am available to help with the selection. Tea, coffee and something sweet adds to the convivial reading atmosphere.

Anneli Silvennoinen
Librarian



Athambile Masola loves books and reading



Berdine Fourie-Van der Watt with her pile of books



Book choice decisions for Jenny Bailey, Candice Macaulay and Gail Andrew



Kara van der Westhuizen happily joined in with Doreen Stapelberg



Gail Andrew recommends books she has read



Lynn Knowles wants to read everything

CAT portfolio on iPads

The isiZulu girls wrote their CAT portfolio, which forms a part of the final examinations, on iPads in the Wantage Resource Centre

Anneli Silvenoinen

Librarian



Matric final isiZulu CAT on iPads



Bavukile Magagula and Buhle Nongxa in last-minute discussion



Thembi Ngobese guides Samantha Baker and Sabrina Nicholson

Dancing

Michaela Reeler (Form I) competed in the South African Highland Dancing Championships on Saturday 25 July and her results were as follows:

4th overall in the 7 to 15 years Highland Championship section

1st overall in the 14 to 15 years Premiership National section.

PHOENIX

Phoenix is an inter-school association consisting of 13 high schools that aim to collaborate and create constructive change in their individual communities and, as a whole, in the greater community. The passionate heads of schools use Phoenix as a platform to encourage their student bodies to engage with society. Phoenix allows the youth to rise and personify the term "born-frees" by embodying humility, generosity and integrity.

Every year Phoenix runs a food can collection that helps the Jesuit Refugee Service to feed those seeking refuge in their churches. The theme for 2015 is "We are 1", a mantra that is poignant to our country after the recent xenophobic outbreaks. The can collection handover event was hosted at St Mary's on 10 July. With all Phoenix members present, the Jesuit Refugee Service representatives and many St Mary's girls who came to help, the event was a success. With 12 000 cans in total collected by the 13 schools, the can collection has been appreciated with awe by the churches. Thank you to every girl who donated cans over the course of this term.

Bongiwe Bongwe

Head girl



Picture

Working together

Caption

Iphuteng Primary School Community Service

On Saturday 25 July, a group of St Mary's girls volunteered to help out at the Iphuteng Primary School. We painted classrooms, did art and sport with the children, and bookmarked their entire school library in alphabetical order. The Iphuteng children were in high spirits when we arrived, and were thrilled with their newly painted classrooms. They performed for us and paid tribute to Nelson Mandela in song. This service trip was a success.

Nicola Bloye and Kaitlyn Mittendorf

Form IV



Painting classrooms



ON THE EDGE

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FESTIVAL SCHEDULE

Wednesday 29 July
Subject Music pupils' concert
featuring performances by St Mary's instrumentalists
18h00 The Edge

Saturday 1 August
Music on the Menu
featuring performances by the St Mary's Music teachers
17h30 The hall

Sunday 2 August
Music concert
featuring performances by the 2015 Subject Music matric students
15h00 The Edge

Wednesday 5 August
House plays preview
featuring one-act plays by the houses
19h00 The Edge

Thursday 6 August
08h45-14h15 **STAMP festival**
08h45 **St Mary's showcase** featuring performances by the Music, Drama and Dance departments - The Edge
10h30 **Session one:** various interactive workshops, inter-house art, film and Form V duologues
11h30 **Session two:** stand-up comedy featuring Angel and Alan Committie - The Edge
12h55 **House plays** - The Edge

From the Music department



Music

There are places free for drumming lessons. Please click on the link for access to the music lesson application form:
<http://www.stmarysschool.co.za/pdf/2013/Term3/MusicLessonApplicationForm2015.pdf>

Dudley Trollope
Director of music

From the Sports department



Equestrian

On Saturday 25 July, the St Mary's equestrian team competed in their first-ever equestrian inter-house event held at Canterbrooke Equestrian Estate on a very cold and misty day. The first event started with individual houses dressing up one horse per team in a colourful fancy dress parade. This was followed by the Gymkhana Games.

Parents and spectators were treated to a display in which horses and riders demonstrated tight turns, manoeuvred through obstacles, carried objects and some riders even ran alongside their horses. A gymkhana is designed to showcase tight teamwork between horse and rider. The final results were Furse 1st, Karney 2nd, Clayton 3rd and Phelps 4th.

Thank you to Ms Fouche and Jessica Eekhout for organising a very well-run event. Thank you to Ms Fouche, Mrs Heydenrych, Mrs Page

and Mrs Frost for supporting the equestrian inter-house event. It was very special to have the St Mary's teachers with the girls and for them to meet the much-loved horses that are so much part of the girls' daily lives. Thank you to Kim Traill for giving the St Mary's equestrian team a home base for the day. We also thank Shaneen Phillips and Canterbrooke management for running the gymkhana and keeping all the horses and riders safe. After the Gymkhana Games, the afternoon was spent with a lovely St Mary's family braai. It was a wonderful day and a great success for the equestrian team.

On 26 July, Andrea Douglas and Kiara Fitzhenry competed in the SANESA eventing competition. Andrea and her horse, Sir Edward, placed 1st in the one-metre class. Kiara and her horse, Kourus, placed in the 80 cm class. Well done to both riders.



Karney



Clayton



Furse



Phelps

Hockey

Congratulations to Julia Bartlett and Julia Fleming, who were selected for the U17 South African hockey squad. They remained in Stellenbosch after their inter-provincial tournament to attend a four-day training camp. Well done on this magnificent achievement.

The junior inter-house hockey took place on 20 July. Karney cruised through the social matches, winning all their games. This left the other three houses with three points each and fighting for final positions through goal difference. The team matches were competitive. Results were mixed among the four houses, but Phelps placed top, having won two and drawn one match.

Results are as follows for junior inter-house:

	Senior team	Senior social team
1.	Phelps	Karney
2.	Furse	Furse
3.	Karney	Clayton
4.	Clayton	Phelps

The hockey teams finished the season on a high, playing friendlies against Assumption Convent, Affies and Garsfontein. Having played 10 matches, we won seven, drew one and lost two. Well done to all the Saints' teams on a successful season.

Good luck to the U16 A and 1st hockey teams taking part in the Howell Pullen tournament.

Roxy Coetzee-Turner

Head of hockey



Samantha Hislop



Clayton vs Phelps



Julia Fleming and Julia Bartlett - South African U17 squad



Furse vs Phelps



Karney vs Phelps

Rowing

The rowing club wishes Tayla-May Bentley and her partner, Roseanne Bentley, all the best for their races. The South African junior team, together with Caitlin Reed, our rowing head coach, departs for Rio on 30 July. The pair has been training since their selection in March.

The team will compete at the Junior World Rowing Championships in Rio, a pre-Olympic event. This means that the junior world championship is the trial run for the Olympics.

If you would like to watch "live" racing, go to www.worldrowing.com from 6 August. The duo will be racing at approximately 14h00 SA time on Thursday 6 August.

Caitlin Dace

Head of rowing

School magazine

A parent information evening for Form II parents on awareness of substance abuse takes place on Monday 3 August from 18h00 to 19h00.

Health Centre

As the Health Centre has become very busy, Sister Leigh and Sister Tessa have decided to restructure the day by setting up three one-hour clinics on an "open-door" basis. The rest of the day will be for emergencies only and the nurses will be available at all times for high-risk health problems. They feel that this will help them to meet the health needs of the St Mary's community more effectively. To assist them in this process, please ensure that your children are not sent to school when they are really ill.

St Mary's Foundation Rugby World Cup competition

Tickets for the Rugby World Cup competition are selling fast! Only tickets left




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to the 2015 Rugby World
Cup bronze final and final
matches



SMS the word "Rugby" to **45445**
and we will call you back with the details!

(SMS costs R1.50 and does not constitute an entry)
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Ticket price: R250. Only 600 tickets available

Prize includes:
Two tickets to the 2015 Rugby World Cup bronze final and final matches, including two return economy air tickets from OR Tambo to London, transfers and four nights' accommodation in a four-star hotel.

Draw date: Wednesday 16 September 2015.

The winner will be announced at the St Mary's Foundation fundraising dinner, sponsored by Standard Bank, Friday 2 October 2015.

Terms and conditions apply. All proceeds go to The St Mary's Foundation.

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